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1. In September 1950 it was learned that in July 1950 the 106th Gds Hv Tank SP Regt in Kagran (P 49/2 49) received 130 replacements, including 25 NCOs. The replacements, most of whom were trained drivers, arrived in groups of from 5 to 15 throughout the month. *

2. The replacements said that most of them had come from Tambov (52°43'N/41°25'E), where an NCO candidate school conducting three-month courses and a drivers' training school were located. Recruits combined in so-called Young Combattant courses, were also trained in Tambov. **

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3. The incoming replacements had the same arms as the personnel of the 106th Gds Hv Tank SP Regt. They believed that service with the occupation troops abroad was tantamount to war.

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* Comment. The report confirms in Kagran the 106th Gds Hv Tank SP Regt of the 13th Gds Mecz Div prior to September 1950. The time of the arrival of the replacements and their number approximately correspond with observations made in the Soviet Zone of Germany at that time.

** Comment. The NCOs and drivers may have been trained at the artillery school which, among other schools, is known to be in Tambov, Moscow LD, by items in the Krasnaya Zvezda issue of 16 September 1945.

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